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1. THIS IS TO CONFIRM AMBASSADOR VAKY'S TELECON WITH FRANK MCNEIL AND FOR USE OF OTHER ADDRESSEES. WE AGREE ENTIRELY WITH PRESIDENT PEREZ THAT IT IS VITAL THAT THE OAS TEAM REMAIN. PLEASE INFORM HIM THAT AMBASSADOR TODMAN HAS URGED OAS SECGEN ORFILA IN THE STRONGEST TERMS TO KEEP THE TEAM ON. ORFILA SEEMS TO HAVE SWUNG AROUND TO THE VIEW THAT IT WOULD BE BETTER FOR THEM TO REMAIN. HE WILL CONSULT WITH OAS AMBASSADORS, OR AS MANY OF THEM AS HE CAN REACH, DURING THE EVENING AND IS THINKING OF TELLING CONFIDENTIAL

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THE OAS OBSERVER TEAM THAT IT IS THE WISHONSULTING THE COUNCIL THAT THEY REMAIN. AS YOU KNOW, CONSULTING THE OAS COUNCIL IS NOT A SURE-FIRE THING. WE THINK IT WOULD BE HELPFUL IF PRESIDENT PEREZ CALLED ORFILA PERSONALLY TONIGHT TO URGE UPON HIM THE NECESSITY OF KEEPING THE TEAM IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC.

2. FOR BOGOTA. PLEASE SUGGEST TO FOREIGN MINISTER OR PRESIDENT THAT THEY MIGHT WISH TO CALL ORFILA IN SIMILAR VEIN. VANCE

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